



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hideki TOMOTO

Application No.: 10/757,398

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For: SLIDING ELEMENT FOR SEALS AND THEIR PROCESS OF  
MANUFACTURING

Confirmation No.: 4942

Group Art Unit: 1774

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Date: **DECEMBER 15, 2006**

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